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## **Level 0**

### **N. Korea leader unhappy with weather forecasts**

**16th June, 2014**

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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# THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1406/140616-weather-forecasts-0.html>

North Korea's leader is unhappy with "incorrect" weather forecasts. He was visiting a weather station. He told workers to use better machines. He said it was important to protect people from the weather. North Korea has many natural disasters. Good weather forecasts are important.

N. Korea has many droughts and floods. People do not have enough food. In the 1990s there was a very bad famine. Wikipedia said between 240,000 and 3,500,000 people died. Other countries give food to North Korea. People would die without it. Sometimes this food does not get to the hungry people who need it.

Sources: <http://www.theguardian.com/world/2014/jun/12/kim-jong-weather-north-korea>  
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<http://www.scmp.com/news/asia/article/1530793/kim-jong-un-blasts-n-korea-weather-service-incorrect-forecasts>

# VOCABULARY MATCHING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1406/140616-weather-forecasts-0.html>

## PARAGRAPH ONE:

- |                         |                               |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. North Korea's leader | a. important                  |
| 2. He was               | b. workers                    |
| 3. He told              | c. disasters                  |
| 4. use better           | d. is unhappy                 |
| 5. He said it was       | e. are important              |
| 6. protect people       | f. machines                   |
| 7. natural              | g. visiting a weather station |
| 8. weather forecasts    | h. from the weather           |

## PARAGRAPH TWO:

- |                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1. droughts and       | a. 1990s         |
| 2. People do not have | b. give food     |
| 3. In the             | c. who need it   |
| 4. a very bad         | d. and 3,500,000 |
| 5. between 240,000    | e. floods        |
| 6. Other countries    | f. without it    |
| 7. People would die   | g. enough food   |
| 8. the hungry people  | h. famine        |

# LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1406/140616-weather-forecasts-0.html>

North Korea's leader (1) \_\_\_\_\_ "incorrect"

weather forecasts. (2) \_\_\_\_\_ a weather station.

He told (3) \_\_\_\_\_ better machines. He said it

(4) \_\_\_\_\_ protect people from the weather.

North Korea (5) \_\_\_\_\_ disasters. Good weather

(6) \_\_\_\_\_.

N. Korea has (7) \_\_\_\_\_ floods. People do not

(8) \_\_\_\_\_. In the 1990s

(9) \_\_\_\_\_ bad famine. Wikipedia said

(10) \_\_\_\_\_ and 3,500,000 people died. Other

countries give food to North Korea. People

(11) \_\_\_\_\_ it. Sometimes this food does not get

(12) \_\_\_\_\_ people who need it.

# PUT A SLASH ( / ) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

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## WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

c) \_\_\_\_\_

d) \_\_\_\_\_

e) \_\_\_\_\_

f) \_\_\_\_\_

